SRI PRABHAKAR TELKAR.—What about opening of more primary schools in Bangalore City ?

SRI B. SUBBAYYA SHETTY.—The government schools are much nearer in Bangalore City than in the rural areas.

Bennithora Project in Chitapur Taluk.

204. SRI PRABHAKAR TELKAR (Chitapur).—Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether Government is providing any additional amount by taking World Bank loan to Minor and Medium Irrigation works in the State;

(*b*) the amount spent over Bennithora Project in Chittapur taluka, Gulbarga District till the end of 1977-78 (particulars of amount spent over Land Aquisition, Salaries and works, Machineries seperately be furnished);

(*c*) whether separate allotment of funds is being made to the roject from out of the World Bank loan;

(*d*) if so. the amount and time required for completion of the project ?

SRI B. SUBBAYYA SHETTY (Minister for Education).—[On behalf of SRI D. DEVARAJ URS (Chief Minister)]

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Total amount spent on Bennithora Project to end of 1977-78 is as under:—

(i)	Land Acquisition	Rs. 1,92,016-00
(ii)	Salaries	25,48,230-00
(iii)	Works	58·85,290-00
(iv)	Machineries	41,83,641-00
		Rs. 1,28,09,177-00

(*c*) Does not arise in view of "*a*".

(*d*) The probable date of completion of the project is by the end of VI Five-Year Plan (*i.e.*, 1982-83) and the amount required for completion will be about Rs. 1323.20 lakhs.

SRI PRABHAKAR TELKAR — Will the Government think of getting loans from the World Bank to finance the minor and medium irrigation projects in our State ?

† Sri B. Subbayya Shetty.— At present we are not getting any loan from the World Bank or other agencies.

Sri Prabakar Telkar.— The amount provided to the Bennithora project one third of the amount is spent on salary and the work is not in progress. Will the government provide sufficient funds to this project immediately so that work can be speeded up?

Sri B. Subbayya Shetty.—After looking into the salaries perhaps the hon. member thinks that more funds have to be allotted. Of course government would very much like to give more funds provided the funds are available. But the insfrastructure has to be there; therefore so much salary is being disbursed on this project. The Government is eager to complete this project at the earliest but the only constraint is that of funds. Funds are allotted after fixing priorities to each project.

Sri Prabakar Telkar.— As per the reply given, the work is proposed to be completed by the end of sixth plan i.e, 82-83. If one goes to the spot and sees the progress, the progress is not so much as it ought to be. May I expect an assurance from the government that they would complete the project by the end of 1982-83?

Sri B. Subbayya Shetty.— The answer is already provided that the date of completion of project is by the end of 1982-83 and the amount required for completion will be Rs. 1233.20 lakhs including the escalation, if any.

Sri Prabakar Telkar.— In view of reply given to (d) may I know whether more funds will be allotted ?

Sri B. Subbayya Shetty.— We have allotted certain funds to this project after taking into account the availability of funds; and we shall complete the project by the end of 1982-83.

Transmission line between Iduki and Mysore

320. Sri M. C. Basappa (Chamarajanagar).— Will the Minister of State for Information and Youth Services be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the construction work of the transmission line between Idu .i and Mysore completed;

(*b*) whether there was any agreement or understanding between the Government of Kerala and Karnataka regarding the quantum of Power supply to Karnataka;

(*c*) if so, details may be furnished;

(*d*) whether there is any fresh agreement in this regard for supply of power from Iduki;